GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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OOZING OF GAS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that in the Dhokari village of Bahadurpur Block under Phulpur Tehsil of Allahabad district and at some other places, gas oozed out of the boring pipe while poring tube-wells for irrigation and remained burning for several days;

(b) if so, whether the Government have conducted a survey by high level officials for exploring the gas reserve there;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)to(d): The reported gas seepage, from the tube-well site at village Dhokari Kachchar in Phulpur Tehsil of Allahabad district of Uttar Pradesh was investigated by a team of geo-scientists from Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC)The analysis of the said gas revealed that it comprises mainly methane with subordinate amount of carbon di-oxide and nitrogen gas and is devoid of higher hydrocarbons. The gas seepage is localised, is of biogenic origin and has no significance from hydrocarbon exploration point of view. Of the two other tube wells bored in the vicinity of the site, one tube well is producing water and the second tube well is dry.